

(22) Section 488 (relating to robbery with a deadly weapon).]

643B.

(a) As used in this section, the term "crime of violence" means abduction; arson in the first degree; kidnapping; manslaughter, except involuntary manslaughter; mayhem and maiming, as previously proscribed under §§ 384, 385, and 386 of this article; murder; rape; robbery; robbery with a deadly weapon; carjacking or armed carjacking; sexual offense in the first degree; sexual offense in the second degree; use of a handgun in the commission of a felony or other crime of violence; an attempt to commit any of the aforesaid offenses; assault in the first degree; and assault with intent to murder, assault with intent to rape, assault with intent to rob, assault with intent to commit a sexual offense in the first degree, and assault with intent to commit a sexual offense in the second degree, as these crimes were previously proscribed under former § 12 of this article.

The term "correctional institution" includes Patuxent Institution and a local or regional jail or detention center.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved May 13, 1999.

CHAPTER 395

(House Bill 154)

AN ACT concerning

Corporations and Real Estate Investment Trusts – Powers of Corporations and Boards of Directors – Extraordinary Actions

FOR the purpose of altering the power of a corporation to make certain gifts or contributions by repealing certain restrictions on the power and allowing gifts or contributions to be made in cash, other property, or stock or other securities of the corporation; allowing a corporation to issue stock or other securities of the corporation without consideration of any kind under certain circumstances; allowing certain amendments to be made to the charter of a corporation or to the declaration of trust of a real estate investment trust without stockholder or shareholder approval; allowing a Maryland corporation to consolidate with and merge into a corporation or business trust organized under the laws of a foreign country; clarifying the circumstances under which certain mergers need be approved only by a majority of the entire board of directors *of a successor corporation or board of trustees of a successor real estate investment trust*; allowing a Maryland real estate investment trust to merge into a business trust organized under the laws of a foreign country; altering the circumstances under which a merger of a 90 percent or more owned subsidiary corporation with or into its parent corporation may be effected without stockholder approval;